

REMARKS

Upon entry the present response, each of the claims will have been provided with a proper status identifier. In particular the identifier for the non-elected (withdrawn) claims will have been provided so that the current status of each claim can be identified.

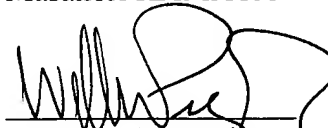
SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

Applicant has made a sincere effort to place the present application in condition for allowance and believes that he has now done so. Applicant has submitted a properly identified set of claims in response to the Notice of February 8, 2007. Applicant has traversed, in the reply filed on November 26, 2006, the outstanding rejection and requests reconsideration thereof together with the examination on the merits of all the claims pending in the present application.

Should an extension of time be necessary to maintain the pendency of this application, including any extensions of time required to place the application in condition for allowance by an Examiner's Amendment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding this Response, or the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,  
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